EXHIBIT 15

Lisa N. Himes

From: Lisa N. Himes

Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 4:00 PM

To: 'ice-foia@dhs.gov'

Subject: FW: Acknowledgement for ICE FOIA Request 2018-ICAP-00492

Attachments: ICE Appeal Acknowledgement Letter1.Docx

ICE,

This email relates to the above-referenced FOIA request and attached acknowledgement by ICE regarding the FOIA appeal. I have tried to reach the ICE FOIA Office/Public Liaison at the number provided in the attached letter. However, the mailbox is full and there is no way to reach anyone at that number.

Please contact me as soon as possible regarding the status of this appeal.

Sincerely, Lisa Himes

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From: ice-foia@dhs.gov <ice-foia@dhs.gov> Sent: Friday, September 28, 2018 12:00 PM To: Lisa N. Himes <LHimes@rjo.com>

Subject: Acknowledgement for ICE FOIA Request 2018-ICAP-00492

We have received your Freedom of Information Act request for appealing the adequacy of the search and have assigned it tracking number 2018-ICAP-00492. Please refer to the attached Acknowledgement Letter for more information.

ICE FOIA.

^{**}Please Do Not Respond Directly - This email has been sent on behalf of ice-foia@dhs.gov**

U.S. Department of Homeland Security 500 12th ST. SW; STOP 5009 Washington, DC 20536-5009



September 28, 2018

Lisa Himes Rogers Joseph O'Donnel, P.C. 875 15th St. NW Ste 725 Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mrs. Himes:

The Department of Homeland Security has received your letter appealing the adverse determination of your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Your appeal, postmarked or electronically transmitted on September 24, 2018, was received on September 27, 2018.

The Government Information Law Division acknowledges your appeal request of **2018-ICFO-31995** and is assigning it number **2018-ICAP-00492** for tracking purposes. Please reference this number in any future communications about your appeal.

A high number of FOIA/PA requests have been received by the Department. Accordingly, we have adopted the court-sanctioned practice of generally handling backlogged appeals on a first-in, first-out basis. While we will make every effort to process your appeal on a timely basis, there may be some delay in resolving this matter. Should you have any questions concerning the processing of your appeal, please contact the ICE FOIA Office/Public Liaison at (866) 633-1182, or by email at ice-foia@dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/MCuestas for

Erin Clifford Chief Government Information Law Division ICE Office of the Principal Legal Advisor U.S. Department of Homeland Security

¹ Appeals of expedited treatment denials will be handled on an expedited basis.